

**WAC 246-976-850 Designation standards for level III trauma rehabilitation service.**

(1) Level III trauma rehabilitation services shall:

- (a) Provide a community based program of coordinated and integrated outpatient trauma rehabilitation services, evaluation, and treatment to those persons with trauma-related functional limitations, who do not need or no longer require comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation. Services may be provided in, but not limited to, the following settings:
  - (i) Freestanding outpatient rehabilitation centers;
  - (ii) Organized outpatient rehabilitation programs in acute hospital settings;
  - (iii) Day hospital programs; and
  - (iv) Other community settings;
- (b) Treat patients according to admission criteria based on diagnosis and severity;
- (c) Be directed by a physician with training and/or experience necessary to provide rehabilitative physician services, acquired through one of the following:
  - (i) Formal residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation;
  - (ii) A fellowship in rehabilitation for a minimum of one year; or
  - (iii) A minimum of two years' experience in providing rehabilitation services for patients typically seen in CARF-accredited comprehensive inpatient categories one, two, and three;
- (d) Provide the following trauma rehabilitation services by staff who are licensed, registered, or certified:
  - (i) Occupational therapy;
  - (ii) Physical therapy;
  - (iii) Social services;
  - (iv) Speech/language pathology;
- (e) Provide or assist the patient to obtain the following as defined in the rehabilitation plan:
  - (i) Audiology;
  - (ii) Chaplaincy;
  - (iii) Dentistry;
  - (iv) Dietetics;
  - (v) Driver evaluation and training;
  - (vi) Education;
  - (vii) Nursing;
  - (viii) Orthotics;
  - (ix) Prosthetics;
  - (x) Psychology;

- (xi) Rehabilitation engineering for device development and adaptations;
- (xii) Respiratory therapy;
- (xiii) Substance abuse counseling;
- (xiv) Therapeutic recreation;
- (xv) Vocational rehabilitation;

(2) A level III trauma rehabilitation service shall:

- (a) Have a quality assurance/improvement program in accordance with WAC 246-976-881;
- (b) Participate in trauma registry activities as required in WAC 246-976-430;
- (c) Participate in the regional trauma quality assurance program established pursuant to WAC 246-976-910.

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